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## SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.97

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Sir:

Submitted herewith on Form PTO-1449 is a listing of documents known to Applicants and/or their attorney in compliance with the requirements of 37 CFR 1.56. In accordance with 37 CFR 1.98, copies of U.S. patents and published U.S. patent applications are not submitted. JP 9 173444 is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 5,866,015; JP 11 262520 is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 7,097,630 B2 and JP 2000 325471 is equivalent to U.S. Patent No. 6,827,698 B1. The patents and publications listed on Form PTO-1449 were cited in an Office Action issued by the Japanese Patent Office on August 21, 2009 in a counterpart patent application. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner initial and return a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449, and to indicate in the official file wrapper of this patent application that the listed documents have been considered.

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## **CERTIFICATION**

It is hereby certified that the first citation of any item(s) by a foreign patent office in a counterpart foreign application was not made, in any communication from the foreign patent office, more than three months prior to the filing of this statement.

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